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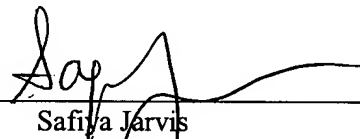
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS T. Shiimoto, et al. EXAMINER: Mefee, James A  
U.S.S.N.: 10/600,974 GROUP: 2828  
FILED: June 20, 2003 Conf. No. 7159  
FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE, OPTICAL PICKUP AND  
FABRICATION METHOD OF SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE

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Applicants believe that no extension of time is required since this response is being filed before the expiration of the specified time period. Applicants, however, conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required. As provided below charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105 for any required fee.

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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.



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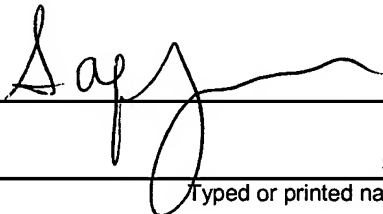
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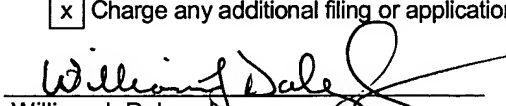
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**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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